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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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For: SEPARATOR FOR NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY,
AND NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2006, please consider the following remarks on the accompanying pages. A Petition for a three-month Extension of Time is being concurrently filed, thus extending the due date from October 3, 2006 to January 3, 2006.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 4-12 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicants note with appreciation that the rejection of Claims 1-2 and 4-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,447,958 to Shinohara et al. ("Shinohara") has been withdrawn.